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U.S. Applic. No. 09/826,841 Art Unit:

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR RESPONSE TO AN OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the time to June 30, 2003, for taking action in this application responsive to the Official action dated December 30, 2002.

The Commissioner authorized to charge Deposit Account 02-2548 in the amount of \$930. to cover the fee for a three-months extension as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3).

The Commissioner is further authorized to charge payment of any additional fees due in processing this petition or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2548.

One (1) copy of this petition is attached.

consideration Your and granting of this petition is appreciated. Respectfully submitted,

> J. Bruce Hoofnagle Attorney for Applicant Req. No. 20,973

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